SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 881

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Lola Mae Blurton of Bradford.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the death of Lola Mae Blurton; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Blurton was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, born in Chestnut Hill, Lola Mae Blurton made a home for herself in Bradford, where she was a highly valued member of the community; and

WHEREAS, a passionate and dedicated educator, Mrs. Blurton served with the Shelby County School System until her well-earned retirement in 1993; and

WHEREAS, upon retiring, she enjoying spending more time gardening, cooking, and giving back to her community; and

WHEREAS, she was also an active and devout member of Bradford First Baptist Church and a lifelong member of the Tennessee Jaycettes; and

WHEREAS, Lola Mae Blurton was deeply devoted to her family, and she always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, a loving and faithful wife, she was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Jarrell Blurton, Sr., with whom she enjoyed fifty-six years of marital bliss; and

WHEREAS, her memory will be forever cherished by her son, Robert Jarrell Blurton, Jr. and his wife, Patsy; her daughter, Lisa Blurton Vinson and her husband, Marvin; her sister, Virginia Guy; her five grandchildren, Kimberly Anne Blurton, Robert Jarrell Blurton, III, T.J.

McOwen, Brian Hutson, and Josh Hutson; and her great-grandson, Bryce Alexander Ellison; and

WHEREAS, Lola Mae Blurton leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Lola Mae Blurton, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mrs. Blurton.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.